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POLICE INVESTIGATE DEADLY SHOOTING IN MOUNTAIN VIEW NEIGHBORHOOD

(San Diego) San Diego Police Homicide Unit detectives are investigating the shooting death of a young woman that occurred early this morning at about 2:40 a.m.

Southeastern Division patrol officers received a radio call of a shooting that occurred in the 700 block of South 42nd Street. When officers arrived at about 2:45 a.m., they found a young woman suffering from an apparent gunshot wound. Patrol officers and paramedics provided emergency medical care including CPR; however the victim did not survive her injuries. She was pronounced dead at the scene at 2:59 a.m. The victim has not been identified but is believed to be a juvenile.

The investigation has revealed that the victim was visiting friends who reside on S. 42nd Street. She was standing on the sidewalk in front of the residence with at least one other person when they were approached by the unknown suspect(s) who fired 2-3 rounds from a handgun in the direction of the victim and her friend. The victim was struck once in the lower abdominal area. The motivation for the shooting is not clear at this time, nor is it clear whether or not the victim was the intended target.

As credible information is obtained related to the suspect(s) and/or motivation for this attack, it will be provided to the public via additional media releases. Anyone with information related to this investigation is encouraged to telephone Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477 or the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293.